## **Title VI Complaint Procedures**

Any person who believes she or he have been discriminated against on the basis of race, color or national origin by JFCS 5310 program may file a Title VI complaint by completing and submitting JFCS 5310's Title VI Complaint Form. JFCS investigates complaints received no more than 180 days after the alleged incident. The Authority will only process complaints that are complete.

The following procedures will be followed to investigate formal Title VI complaints:

- Within 10 business days of receiving the complaint, the JFCS Title VI Program Administrator, Greg Murphy, will review it to determine if our office has jurisdiction. The complainant will receive an acknowledgement letter informing her/him whether the complaint will be investigated by our office.
- The investigation will be conducted and completed within 30 days of the receipt of the formal complaint.
- If more information is needed to resolve the case, JFCS may contact the complainant. The complainant has 10 business days from the date of the letter to send requested information to Greg Murphy, Title VI Administrator. If the investigator is not contacted by the complainant or does not receive additional information within 10 business days, JFCS can administratively close the case.
- The complainant will be notified in writing of the cause to any planned extension to the 30-day rule.
- A case can be administratively closed also if the complainant no longer wishes to pursue their case. Following the investigation, the Title VI Administrator will issue one of two letters to the complainant: 1) a closure letter or 2) a letter of finding (LOF). A closure letter summarizes the allegations and states that there was not a Title VI violation and that the case will be closed. A LOF summarizes the allegations and the interviews regarding the alleged incident, and explains whether any disciplinary action, additional training of the staff member or other action will occur.
- If the complainant is unsatisfied with the decision, s/he has 30 days after the date of the JFCS's closure letter or LOF to appeal to the JFCS Board of Directors or its designee. The complainant is entitled to review the denial, to present additional information and arguments, and to separation of functions (i.e. a decision by a person not involved with the initial decision to deny eligibility). The complainant is entitled to receive written notification of the decision of the appeal and the reasons for it.
- The complainant may also file a complaint directly with the Federal Transit Administration, as follows: Title VI Program Coordinator, FTA Office of Civil Rights, East Building, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor- TCR, 1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E., Washington D.C. 20590.

## Jewish Family and Children's Services 5310 Title VI Complaint Form

Section I: Please write legibly		
1. Name:		
2. Address:		
3. Telephone:		3.a. Secondary Phone (Optional):
4. Email Address:		
5. Accessible Format Requirements?	[ ] Large Print	[ ] Audio Tape
	[] TDD	[ ] Other
Section II:		
6. Are your filing this complaint on your own behalf? YES*[] NO[]		
	*If you answered "yes" to #6, go to Section III.	If you answered "no" to #6, go question #7.
7. What is the <b>name</b> of the person for whom you are filing this complaint?		
8. What is your relationship with this individual:		
9. Please explain why you have filed for a third party:		
10. Please confirm that you have obtained permission of the aggrieved party to file on their behalf.  YES [ ] NO [ ]		
Section III:		
11. I believe the discrimination I experienced was based on (check all that apply):  [ ] Race [ ] Color [ ] National Origin		
12. Date of alleged discrimination: (mm/dd/yyyyy)		
13. Explain as clearly as possible what happened and why you believe you were discriminated against. Describe all persons who were involved. Include the name and contact information of the person(s) who discriminated against you (if known), as well as names and contact information of any witnesses. If more space is needed, please use the back of this form.		
Section IV:		
14. Have you previously filed a Title VI complaint with JFCS 5310? YES [ ] NO [ ]		

Section V:			
Federal or State court?  [ ] YES* [ ] NO  If yes, check all that app  [ ] Federal Agency  [ ] Federal Court  [ ] State Court	ly:  [ ] State Agency [ ] Local Agency [ ] Local Agency [ ] Took and the agency/court		
where the complaint was			
Name:			
Title:			
Agency:			
Address:	<u></u>		
Telephone:	Email:		
Section VI:			
Name of Transit Agency complaint is against:			
Contact Person:			
Telephone:			
You may attach any written materials or other information that you think is relevant to your complaint.  Signature and date are required below to complete form:			
Signature			
Date	-		
Please submit this form in person or mail this form to the address below:			
Greg Murphy, Title VI Administrator Jewish Family and Children's Services P.O. Box 159004 2150 Post St. San Francisco, CA 94115			